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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11 October 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 and 12-17 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 and 12-17 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is in response to communications filed on October 11, 2005.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

2. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on October 11, 2005 has been entered.

Specification

3. Examiner has received and considered amendments made to the disclosure filed on October 11, 2005.

4. After consideration of the amendments made to the disclosure Examiner has withdrawn the objection to the disclosure for failing to place the reference numeral 263 behind "Java server page rules" on page 17, line 18.

5. The amendments to the disclosure are objected to, however, for a minor error. Reference to figure numbers "262-262", in line 9 of the amendments to the

disclosure should be corrected to read "261-262" as originally disclosed. Appropriate correction is required.

Response to Arguments

6. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-6, and 12-17, have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

7. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

8. Claims 1-6, 12-17, are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Murren et al. (hereinafter Murren), U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2003/0078960, in view of Romero et al. (hereinafter Romero), U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2002/0059267, and further in view of the Applicants Admitted Prior Art (AAPA).

9. In considering claims 1 and 12, Murren teaches a method and system for providing extensible client functions using a distributed computer network comprising:

a) receiving a request for functions from a client, (page 1, paragraphs 7-8);

b) accessing a Java server page corresponding to the request, (page 16, paragraph 148);

c) accessing a plurality of tags contained within the Java server page, (page 16, paragraph 149);

d) processing the Java server page using the tags to access a server for providing the functions, (page 16, paragraph 149, Fig. 2, and Fig. 10); and

e) transmitting the processed Java server page, including information responsive to the request, to the client, (page 16, paragraph 149, Fig. 2, and Fig. 10).

Although the disclosed method and system taught by Murren shows substantial features of the claimed invention, it fails to expressly disclose: accessing a version of the Java server page corresponding to the request, wherein the version of the Java server page is accessed using a hierarchy of Java server page rules and is created by a web page author modifying an existing Java server page, and wherein the hierarchy of Java server page rule specifies the version of the Java server page to transmit to the client based on a device type associated with the client.

Nevertheless, Murren does teach: a web page author creating one or more of the Java server pages, (page 20, paragraph 193). In a similar field of endeavor, Romero teaches a method comprising: accessing a version of a server page corresponding to a request, wherein the version of the server page is accessed using a hierarchy of server page rules and is created by a web page author (14) modifying an existing server page, and wherein the hierarchy of server page rule specifies the version of the server page to

transmit to the client based on a device type associated with the client, (page 1, paragraphs 6-8, page 2, paragraph 38).

Thus, if not implicit in the teachings of Murren, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the teachings of Murren with Romero to disclose accessing a version of the Java server page corresponding to the request, wherein the version of the Java server page is accessed using a hierarchy of Java server page rules and is created by a web page author modifying an existing Java server page, and wherein the hierarchy of Java server page rule specifies the version of the Java server page to transmit to the client based on a device type associated with the client. This would have further provided an efficient means for providing extensible client functions to low bandwidth, small display, and small memory devices, (Romero, page 2, paragraph 37).

Although the modified method and system taught by Murren shows substantial features of the claimed invention, it fails to further expressly disclose: the functions being address book functions.

Nevertheless, on page 3, lines 9-15, of the Applicants disclosure, the Applicant admits that Web portals providing e-address books, have become increasingly popular.

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the teachings of Murren with the AAPA to show the functions being address book functions. This would have provided an efficient means for users of different domains and different types of client devices to access extensible client address book functions using a distributed computer network, Murren col. 1, paragraphs 6-9.

10. In considering claims 2 and 13, Murren further teaches accessing the Java server page corresponding to the request comprises retrieving the Java server page from a set of compiled Java server page classes. See page 22, paragraph 204.

11. In considering claims 3 and 14, the combined teachings of Murren and the AAPA provide a means for the tags contained within the Java server page to be configured to provide access to address book functions provided by an address book server. See Murren pages 8-10, paragraphs 100-109.

12. In considering claims 4 and 15, the combined teachings of Murren and the AAPA provide a means for providing extended address book functions by accessing a plurality of extended tags contained within the Java server page, wherein address book functions are extended by adding the extended tags corresponding to new address book functionality of an address book server. See Murren pages 19-21, paragraphs 183-202.

13. In considering claims 5 and 16, Murren teaches transmitting the processed Java server page to the client in accordance with WAP (wireless application protocol) communication standards. See page 2, paragraph 39.

14. In considering claims 6 and 17, Murren teaches transmitting the processed Java server page to the client in accordance with WML (wireless markup language) communication standards. See page 4, paragraph 62.

Conclusion

15. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hassan Phillips whose telephone number is (571) 272-3940. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:00am-5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Zarni Maung can be reached on (571) 272-3939. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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